



Office of the Governor
State of Missouri

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Specialist Sterling William Wyatt, of Columbia, Missouri, was a soldier in the United States Army, assigned to the 5th Battalion, 20th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington; and

WHEREAS, while serving his country, Specialist Wyatt was deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom; and

WHEREAS, on July 11, 2012, Specialist Wyatt, age 21, died of injuries sustained when his vehicle was attacked with an enemy improvised explosive device in Kandahar Province, Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Specialist Wyatt's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Overseas Service Ribbon, NATO Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Combat and Special Skill Badge Basic Marksmanship Qualification Badge (Bar, Weapon: Rifle (Inscription: Rifle), Expert), and the Overseas Service Bar.


NOW THEREFORE, I, Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, as a mark of respect for the death of

SPECIALIST STERLING WILLIAM WYATT

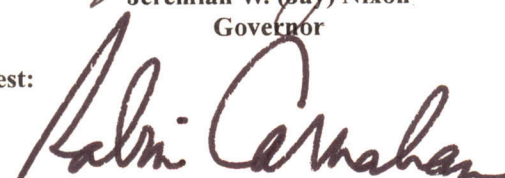
and for his bravery and service to the United States of America, do hereby order that the flag of the United States and the flag of Missouri shall be flown at half-staff at all government buildings statewide for one full day on July 21, 2012, and shall be flown at half-staff at all government buildings in the county of Boone, Missouri, from July 22, 2012, to July 27, 2012, from sunrise to sunset.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Missouri, in the City of Jefferson, this 17th day of July, 2012.




Jeremiah W. (Jay) Nixon
Governor

Attest:


Secretary of State